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LT. JOE HIGGINS–WOUNDED AND LEFT FOR DEAD ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE–RECEIVED A CUTTING EDGE EXPERIMENTAL WARSUIT AND IS NOW THE U.S. ARMY'S VERY OWN SUPERHERO. DISPATCHED ON HIGH-RISK MISSIONS AROUND THE GLOBE. HE IS...

THE SHIELD

OPERATION: GUNSLINGER

PT. 1

DOWN RANGE

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THIRD-HIGHEST MOUNTAIN IN THE HIMILAYAS.

SITE OF ABANDONED H.I.V.E. LAB COMPLEX.

SHIELD ACTUAL TO SHIELD TEAM: ALL SHOOTERS CHECK IN.

COPPERHEAD 1 TO SHIELD ACTUAL, IN POSITION. TANGOS IN SIGHT, SECTION SIERRA HOTEL 4.

COPPERHEAD 2, HOSTILES SIGHTED, SECTION CHARLIE OSCAR 3.

SO MUCH FOR THIS PLACE BEING EMPTY.

SHIELD ACTUAL TO COPPERHEAD TEAM, YOU ARE WEAPONS-FREE.

H.I.V.E. INSUL-SUIT MK4 dur. 8.2h

ROGER THAT. COPPERHEAD TEAM CLEAR TO RUN.

COPPERHEAD 1 TO ALL SHOOTERS:

SMOKE 'EM.

PHUT PHUT ...DI PHUT PHUT PHUT

...DIRECT HIT

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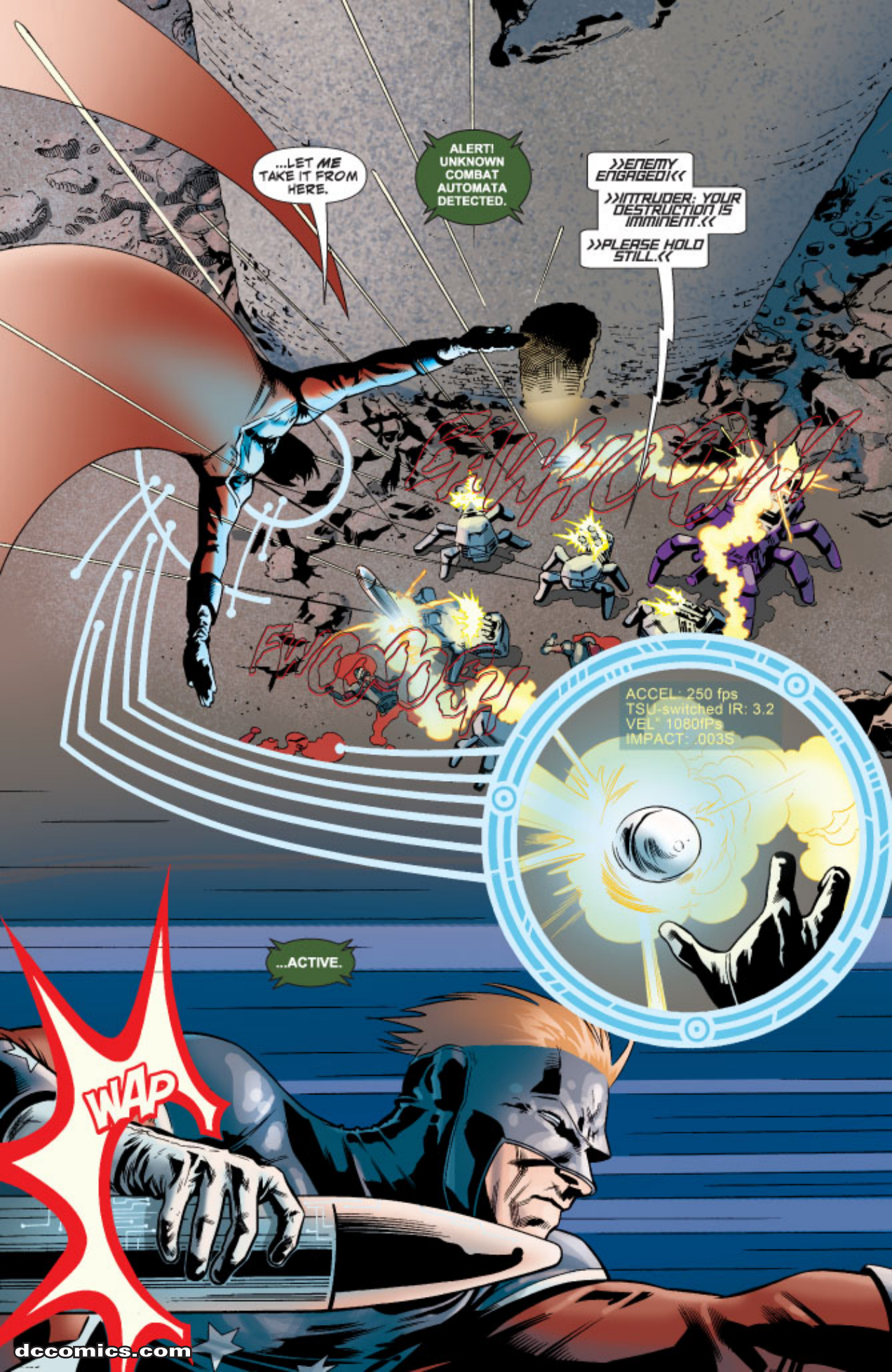
SHIELD ACTUAL TO COPPERHEAD, GOOD JOB...



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FEELS GOOD TO BE WORKING WITH A TEAM AGAIN.
THE LONE-WOLF, SOLO-ACT STUFF ISN'T SOMETHING THEY TEACH YOU IN BASIC.
OKAY, GUYS.
READY?
BORN READY, EL-TEE.
HIT 'EM!
KRAK
-A!

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